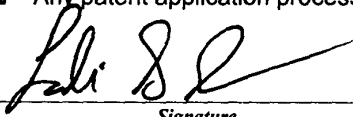
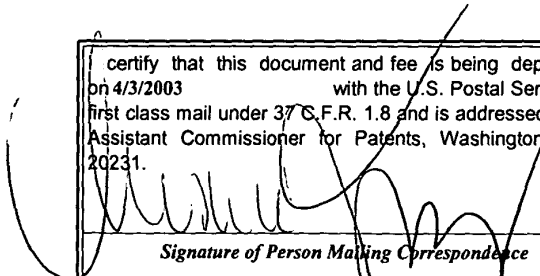
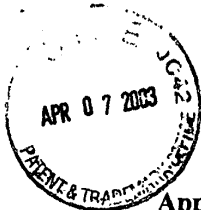


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Invention: ENZYMATIC PREPARATION OF HYDROXY FATTY ACID ESTERS OF POLYHYDRIC ALCOHOLS WHICH ARE SOLID AT ROOM TEMPERATURE					
TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:					
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2003, applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II, i.e., Claim 16, drawn to a technical mixture of hydroxy fatty acid esters for continued prosecution in the above-identified patent application. Additionally, applicants elect as the single disclosed species for prosecution in this application technical mixtures in which the fatty acid is a hydroxy fatty acid, the polyol is ethylene glycol or propylene glycol and the enzyme is lipase.

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